

Public Informational Meeting

October 29, 2020

Bridge Rehabilitation or Replacement NHDOT Project No. 40370 and 40371

Troy 40370
Br. No. 089/114
NH Route 12 over South Branch Ashuelot River

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How were you made aware of tonight's meeting?

- Town Meeting Notice
- Social Media
- Word of Mouth
- NHDOT Project Letter
- NHDOT Website Announcement
- Town Bulletin Board
- Other

PRESENTERS

Joe Adams, DOT Project Manager – Introduces Project

Phil Brogan, DOT Project Lead – Bridge, Traffic & Environmental Issues

PANELISTS

Mike Mozer, DOT Senior Project Engineer

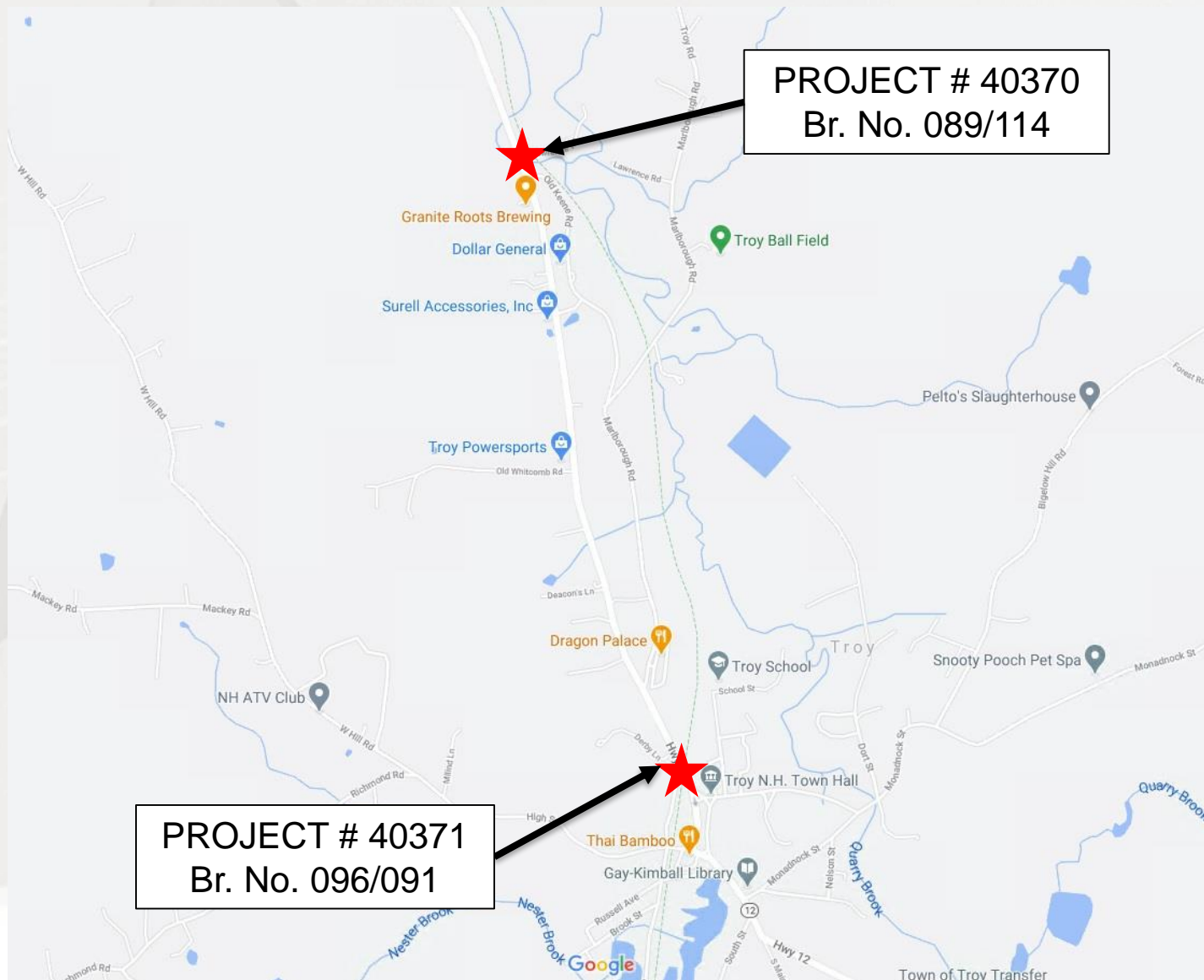
Rebecca Martin, DOT Senior Environmental Manager

Steve Halloran, Jacobs Design Team

Zach Zavalianos, Jacobs Design Team

John Blackburn, Jacobs Design Team

Project Location





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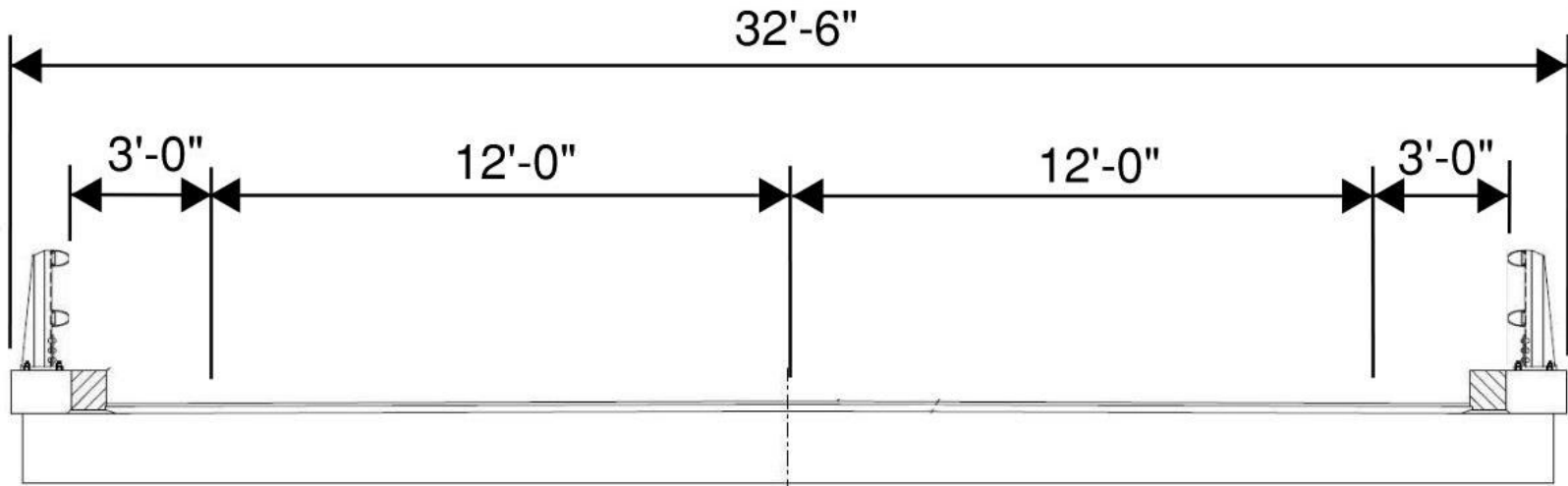
Project Location



Existing Bridge Details

- Concrete rigid frame structure
- Single 32'-0" span
- 28'-6" curb-to-curb width
- Constructed in 1941
 - Curbs and rails replaced in 1977
- 9,100 vehicles per day, 6% trucks

Existing Bridge Details

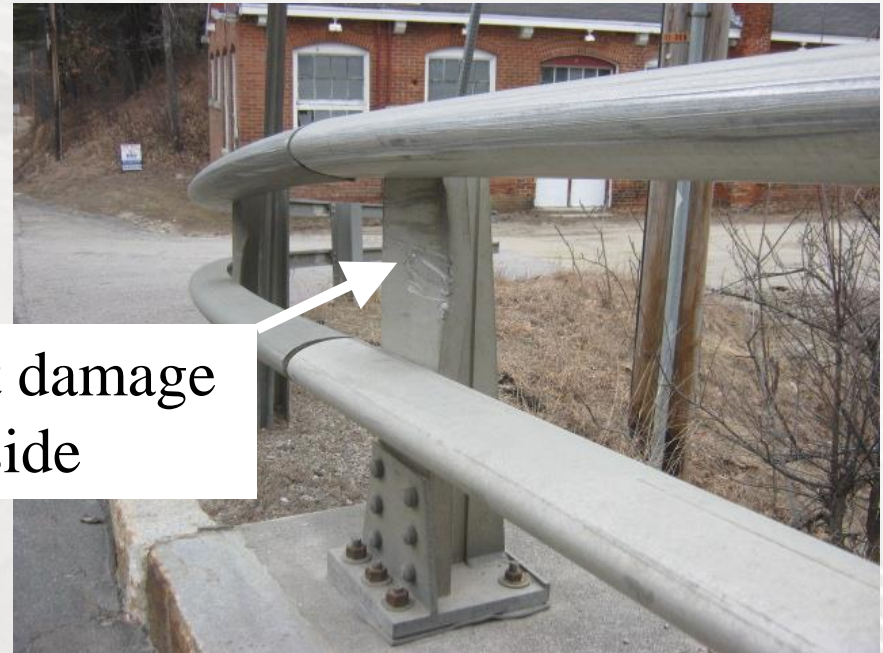


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Existing Bridge Deterioration



Bridge rail post damage
typical of east side

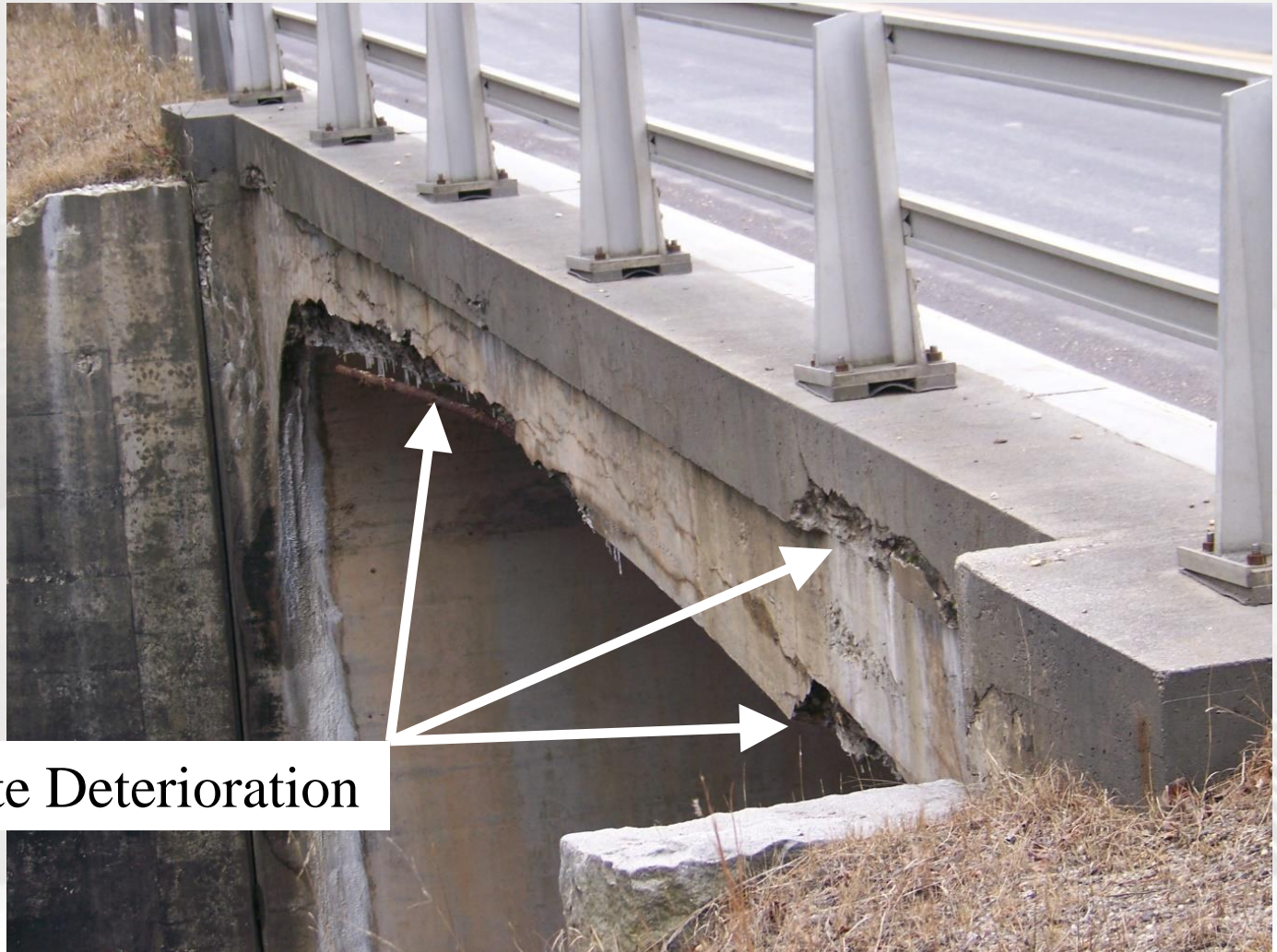


Existing Bridge Deterioration



Narrow shoulders

Existing Bridge Deterioration

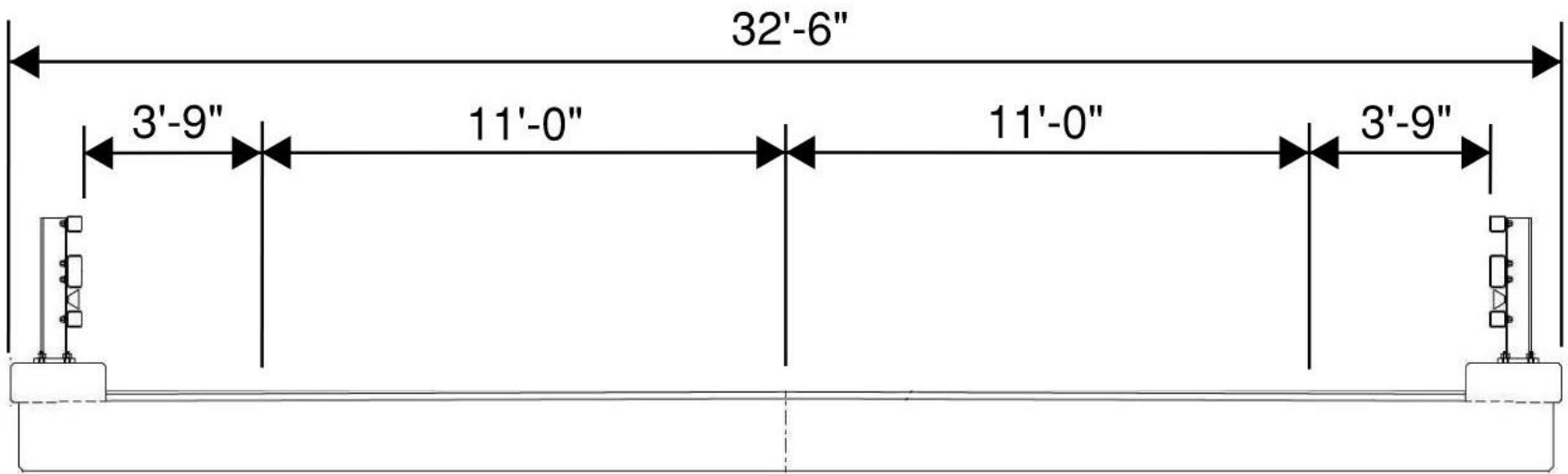


Concrete Deterioration

Bridge Rehabilitation Option

- Replace severely deteriorated concrete deck
- Replace bridge and approach rail
- Repair concrete substructure
- This option does not fully address the narrow shoulders and extends the remaining service life of the substructure

Bridge Rehabilitation Option

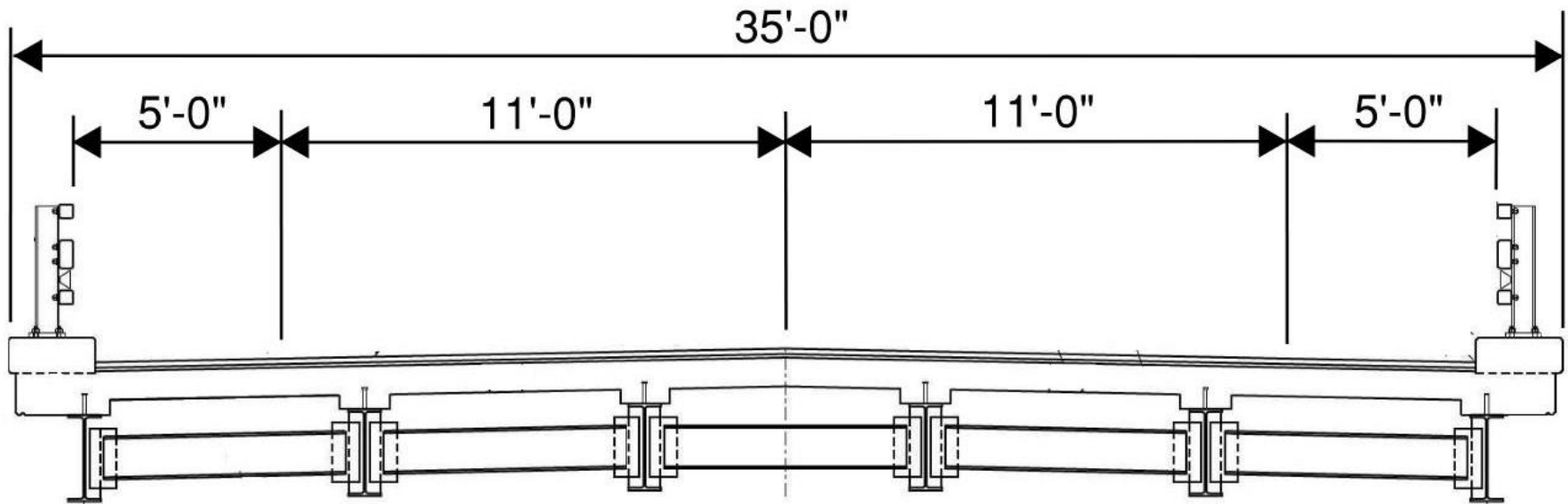


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Bridge Replacement Option

- Replace complete structure
- Lengthen bridge to meet Stream Crossing Rules
- Widen bridge to provide 5'-0" shoulders
- Replace bridge rail and approach rail
- This option provides the greatest service life and addresses all issues

Bridge Replacement Option



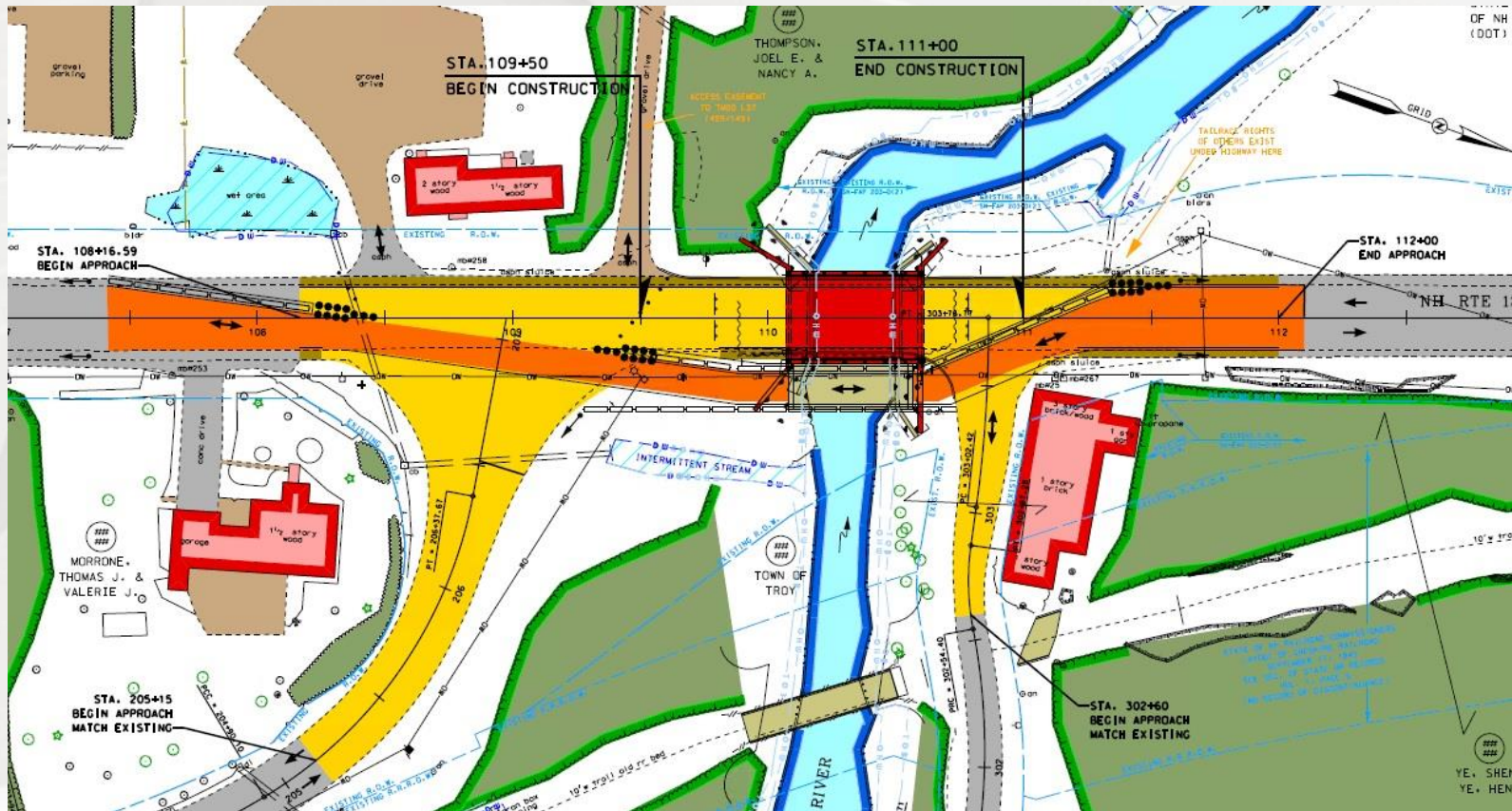
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Traffic Control

- Temporary bridge required to maintain traffic during construction
- Temporary signals with one-lane alternating two-way traffic
- 3 possible locations for temporary bridge

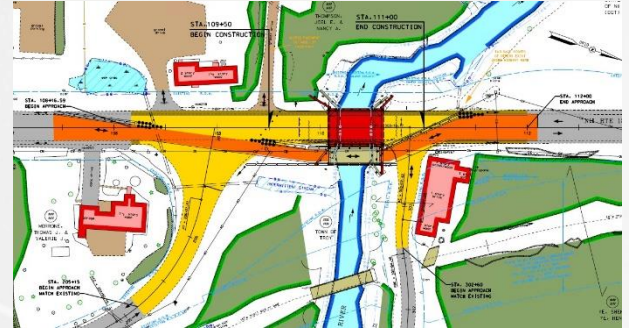
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Alternative 1: Temporary bridge on east side of existing bridge



Traffic Control

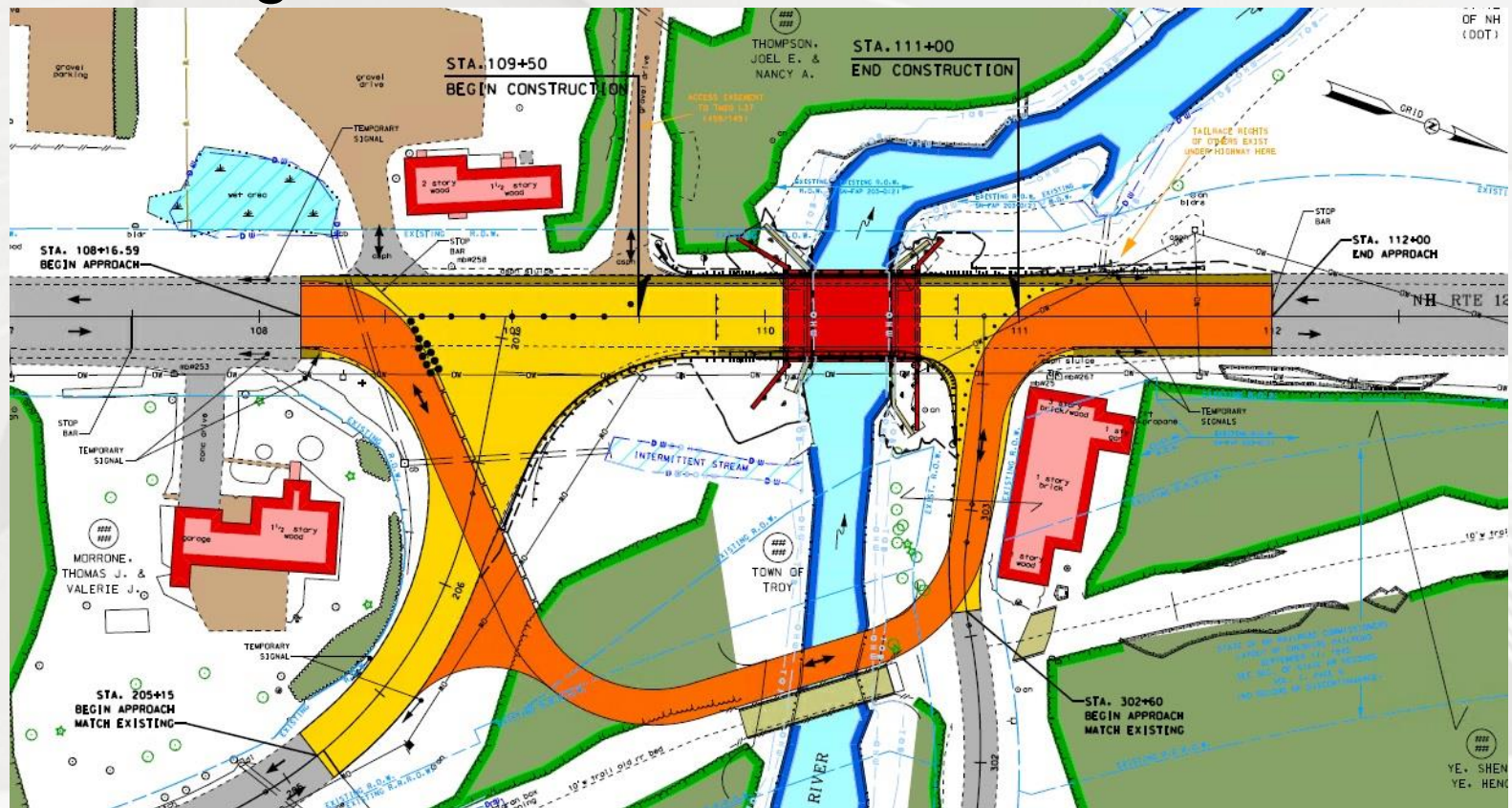
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- Sharp turn at north of bridge
- Large trucks will have to drive very slowly
- Utility poles east of bridge will need temporary relocation
- 2 minute traffic delay, except southbound PM delay is 8 minutes

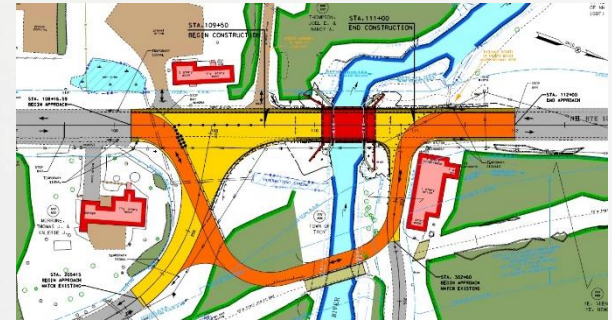
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Alternative 2: Temporary bridge adjacent to rail trail bridge



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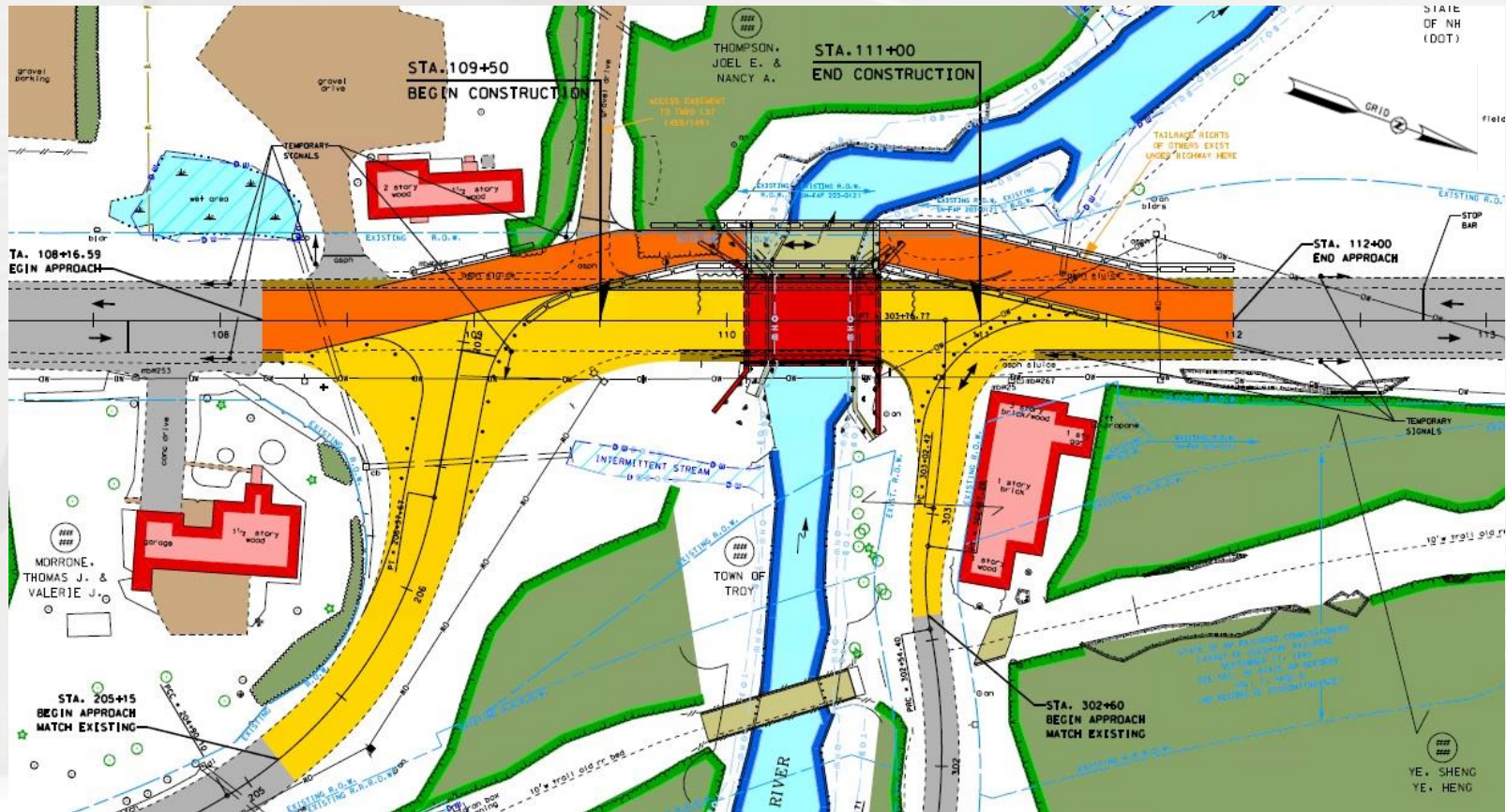
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- Sharp curvature at multiple locations
- Extensive work to clear trees and construct approach roadway
- Cannot accommodate large trucks
- Limited access to Lawrence Road from the south
- Right-of-Way impacts to Town of Troy, rail trail, and Lawrence Road
- Up to 9 minute delays northbound (AM), 10 minute delays southbound (PM)

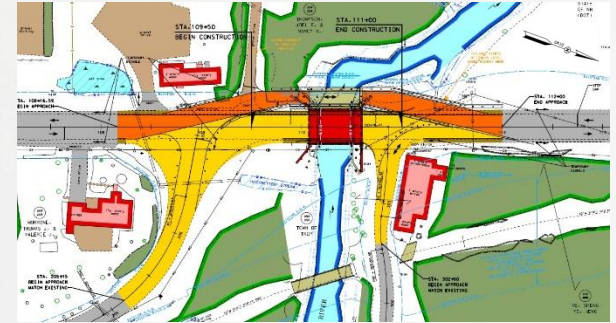
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Alternative 3: Temporary bridge on west side of existing bridge



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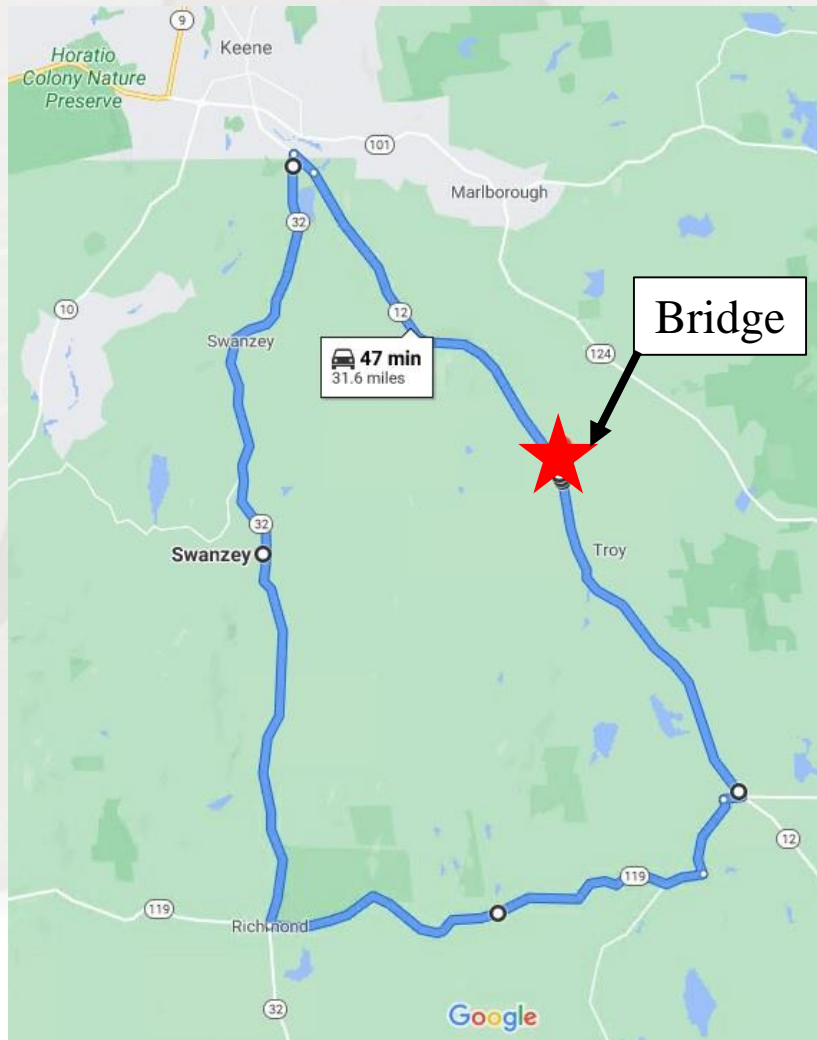
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- 35 mph design speed, including for large trucks
- Extensive work for roadway approaches including retaining wall at north side of river
- Right-of-Way impacts to property at SW corner
- Traffic delays of about 2 minutes in each direction

Traffic Control

Truck detour required for Alternatives 1 & 2



- Follows state routes:
 - NH 12
 - NH 119
 - NH 32
- 32 miles

Poll

Out of the three traffic control alternatives presented tonight, which one would you prefer?


- Alternative 1: Temporary bridge to the east of NH Route 12 with a truck detour
- Alternative 2: Temporary bridge adjacent to the rail trail with a truck detour
- Alternative 3: Temporary bridge to the west of NH Route 12 with no truck detour
- No Opinion

Natural and Cultural Resources

- South Branch Ashuelot River
 - Wetland Permit required for impacts
- Bridge is not eligible for National Register of Historic Places due to loss of integrity
- Bridge lies just beyond the northern boundary of the Forristall Historic District
- Reviewing historic resources in accordance with Section 106
- Potential threatened species
 - Northern Long-eared Bat

Historic Resource Consultation

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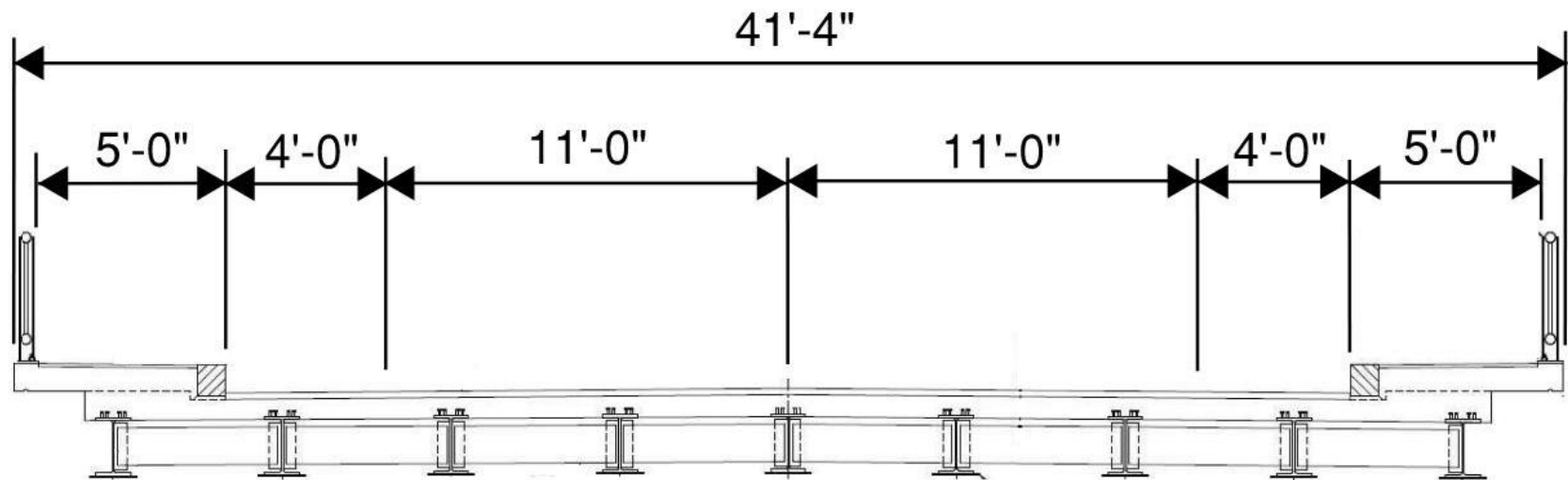
Project Location



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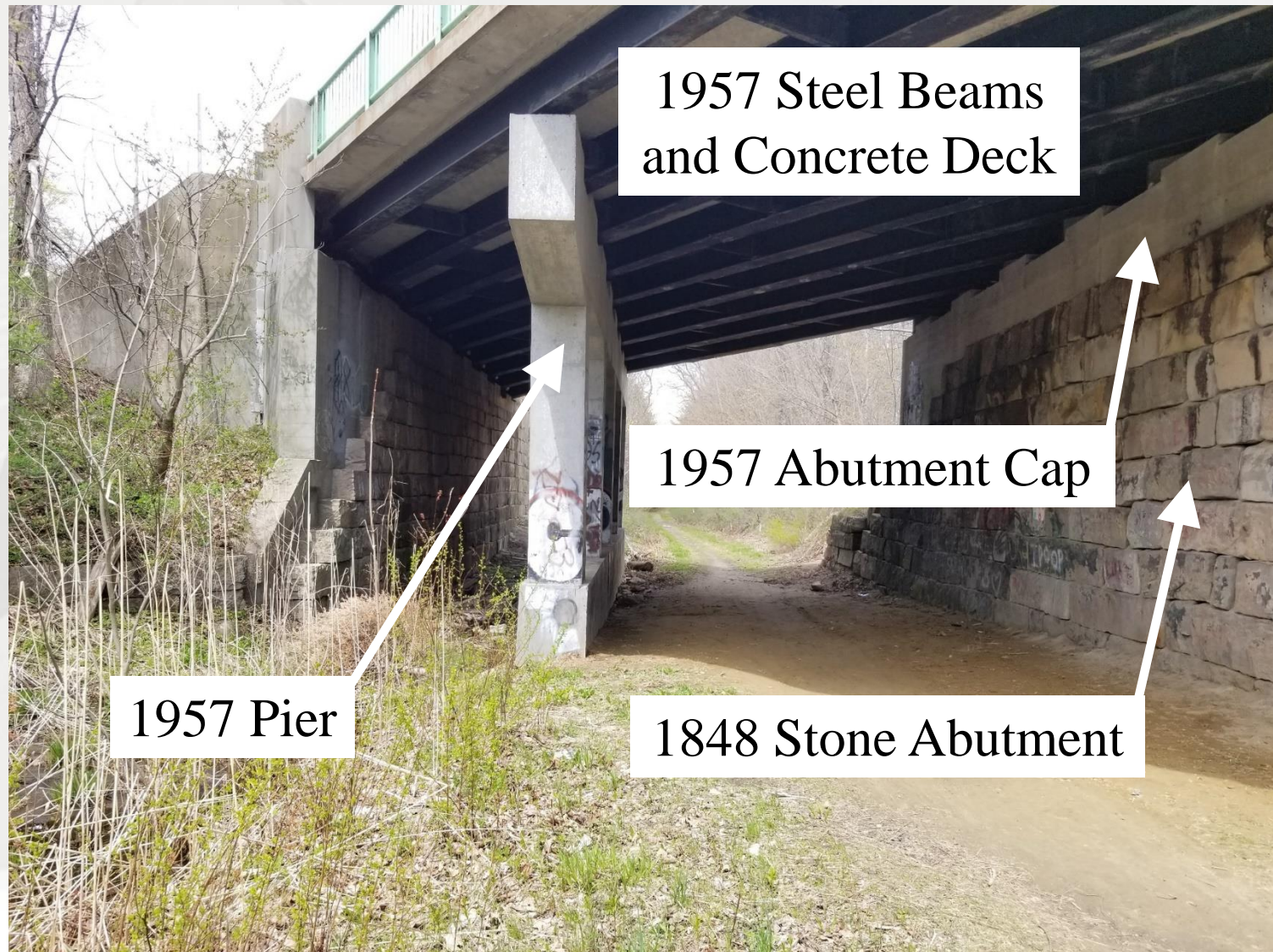
- Steel beams with concrete deck
- Two spans totaling 62'-6"
- 30'-0" curb-to-curb width
- 5'-0" sidewalk each side
- 55-degree skew
- Constructed in 1957
 - Beams and rails repainted in 1983
 - Concrete repair in 1997 and 1998
- 9,100 vehicles per day, 6% trucks

Existing Bridge Details

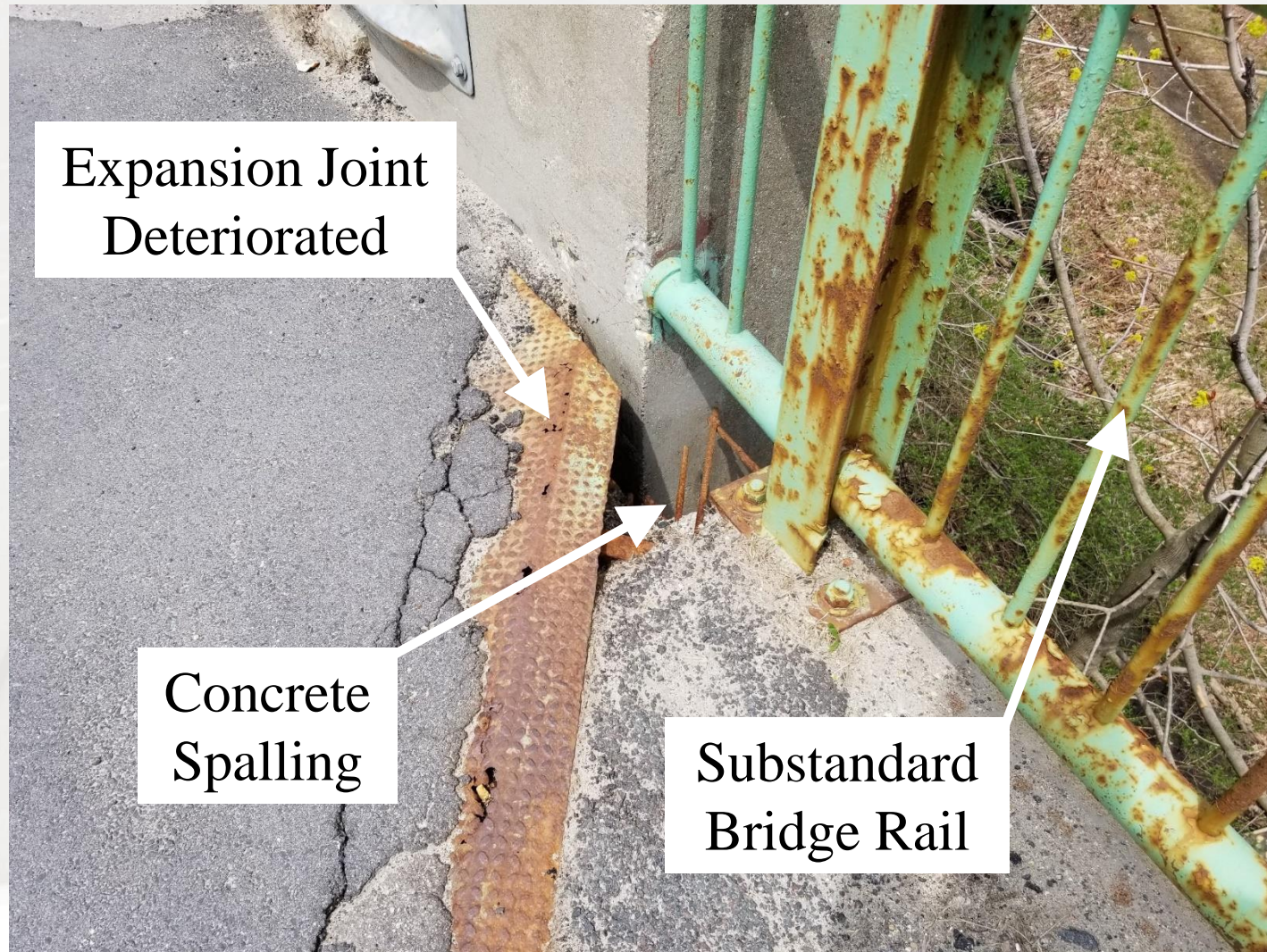


Deck Section

Existing Bridge Details



Existing Bridge Deterioration



Existing Bridge Deterioration



Concrete Deck
Cracking and
Spalling

Concrete Wing
Spalling

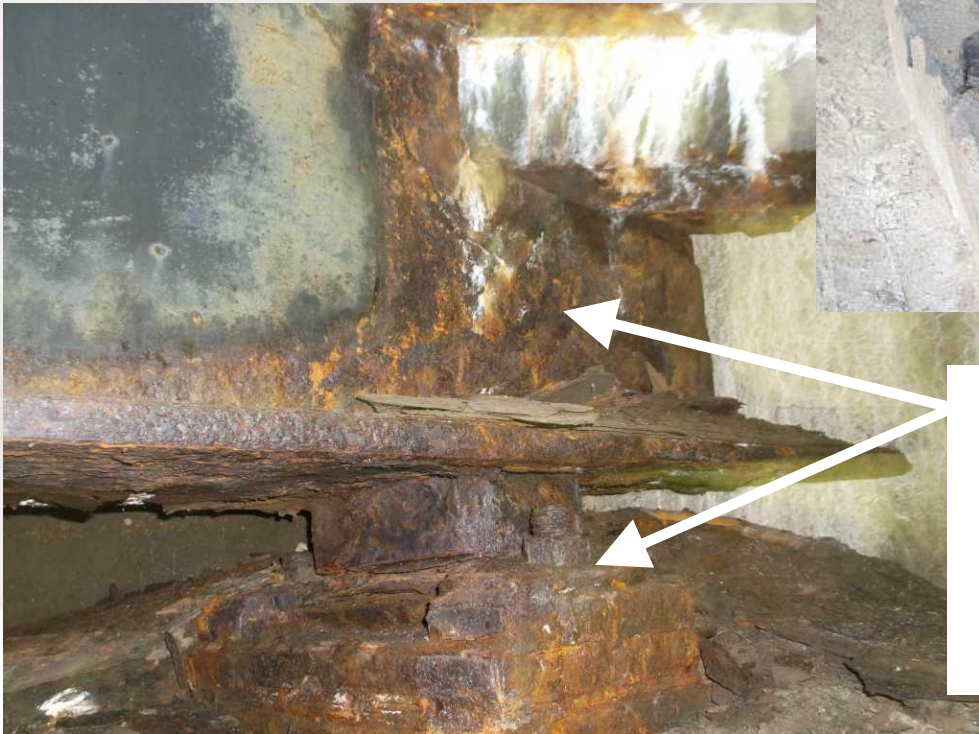


Existing Bridge Deterioration

Bearing Tipped



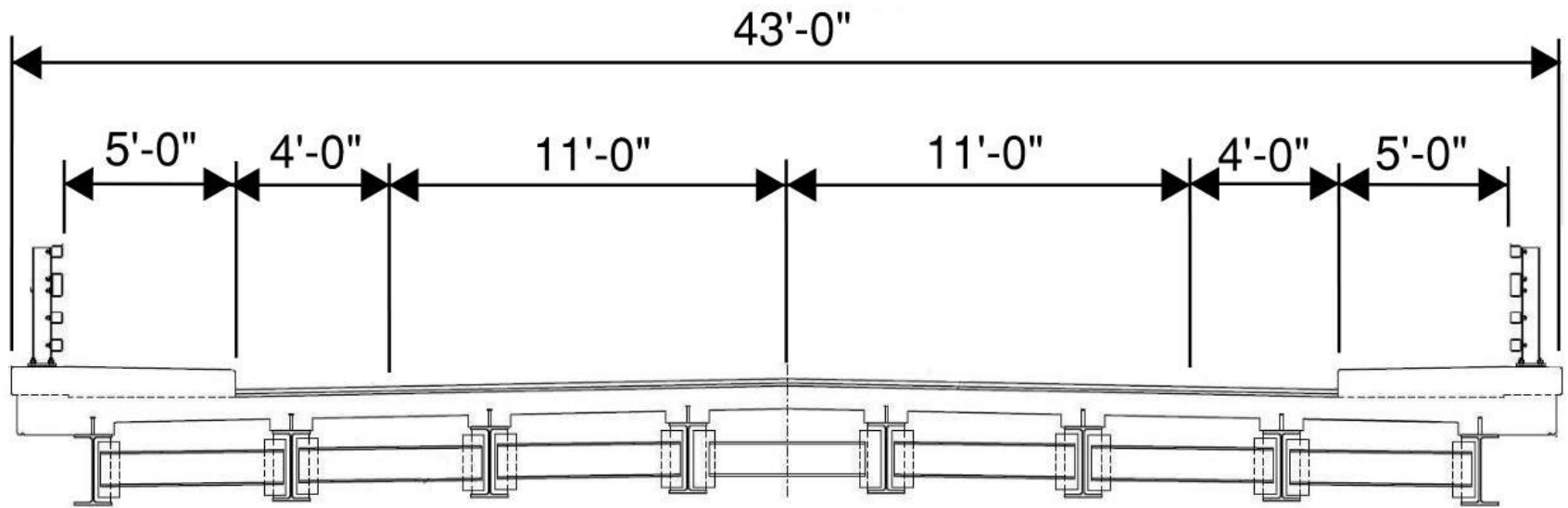
Severe
Corrosion of
Beam End and
Bearing



Bridge Rehabilitation Option

- Replace deteriorated concrete deck
- Clean and paint steel beams
- Replace bridge rail and approach rail
- Repair concrete substructure as needed
- This option extends the remaining service life of the superstructure and substructure

Bridge Rehabilitation Option

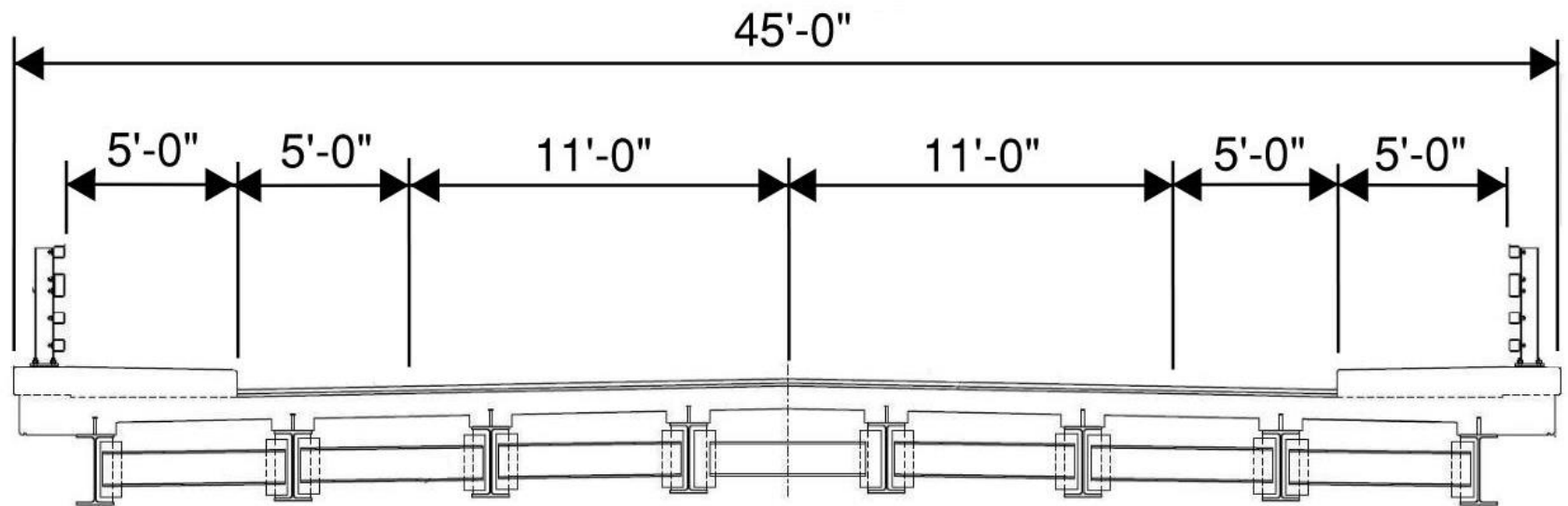


Deck Section

Bridge Replacement Option

- 3 options being considered
 - Alternative 1: Replace steel beams and concrete deck, but retain rehabilitated pier and abutments
 - Alternative 2: Replace entire bridge with a single span, removing the center pier and placing new abutments behind existing abutments
 - Alternative 3: Replace entire bridge with a single span, removing the pier and north abutment, placing new north abutment near existing pier
- Each alternative results in the same cross section

Bridge Replacement Option



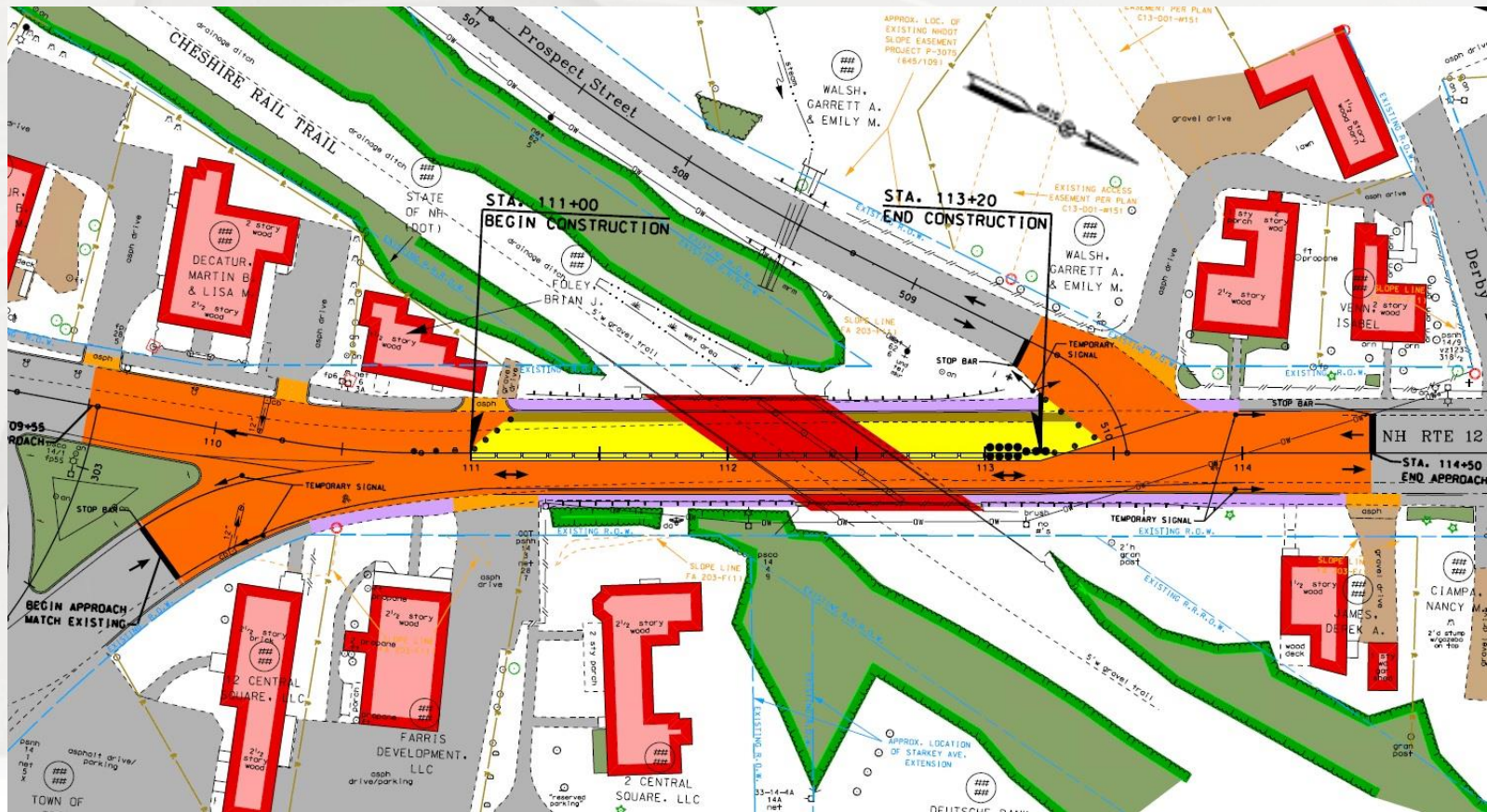
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Traffic Control

- 3 alternatives being considered
- Alternatives 1 & 2 maintain traffic on the bridge using phased construction
- Alternative 3 closes the bridge, resulting in a shorter construction timeframe

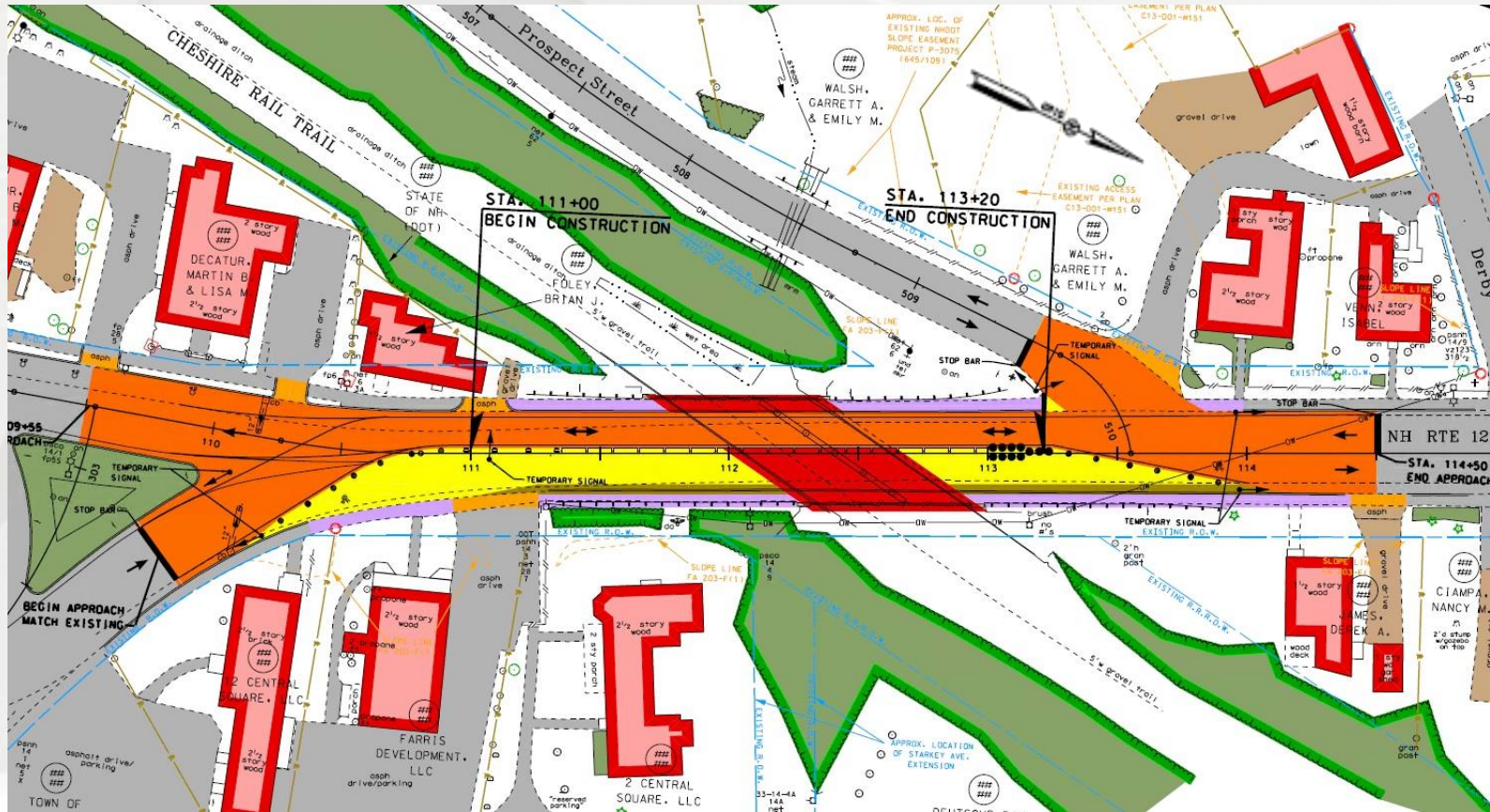
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Alternative 1, Phase 1: One lane alternating two-way traffic with temporary signals



Traffic Control

Alternative 1, Phase 2: One lane alternating two-way traffic with temporary signals



Traffic Control

Alternative 1: One lane alternating two-way traffic with temporary signals



- Phased construction will prolong construction timeframe
- Can accommodate truck traffic NB and SB, no truck detour required
- Northbound traffic delay is 5 minutes (AM), southbound traffic delay is 8 minutes (PM)

Traffic Control

Alternative 2: Northbound traffic maintained on bridge (2 phases), southbound traffic detoured along Prospect Street and High Street



Traffic Control

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- Phased construction will prolong construction timeframe
- Southbound truck traffic requires detour
- Southbound traffic will be detoured along local roads
- Traffic delay is 20 seconds

Traffic Control

Alternative 3: Northbound traffic diverted onto temporary bridge west of existing bridge, southbound traffic detoured along Prospect Street and High Street



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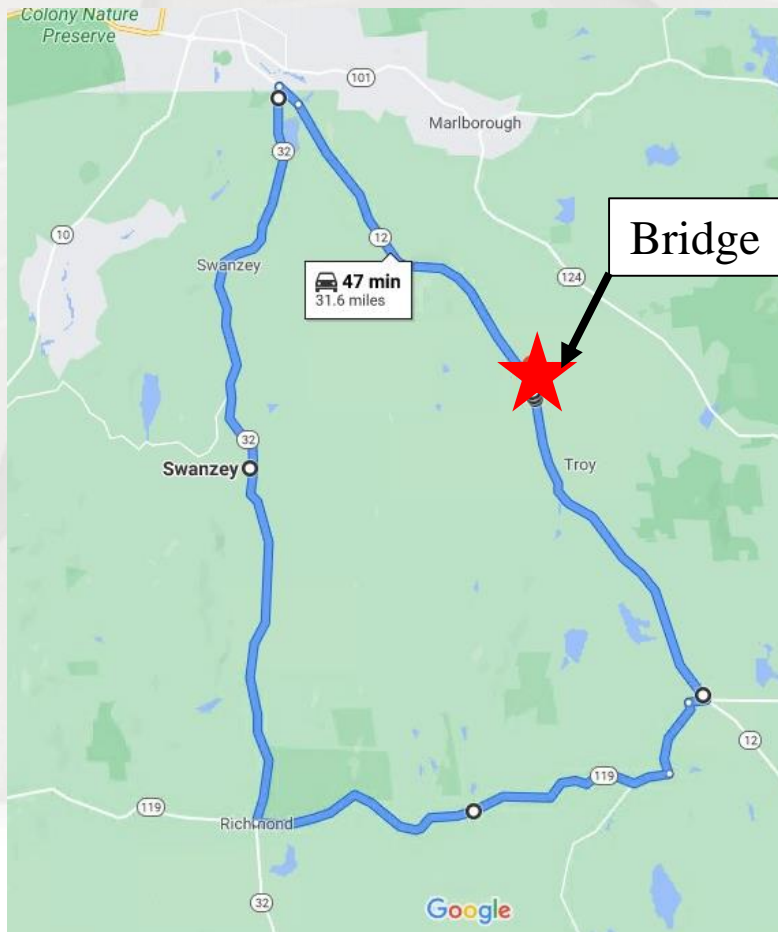
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- Temporary bridge shortens construction timeframe due to not being phased
- Temporary bridge requires considerable fill, will result in wetland impacts and impacts to property at SW corner, and introduces sharp curvature at the north end
- Southbound truck traffic requires detour
- Southbound detour along local roads
- ROW impacts to rail trail
- Traffic delay is 20 seconds

Traffic Control

Truck detour required for southbound traffic with Alternatives 2 & 3



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Poll

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- Alternative 2: Northbound traffic maintained on bridge, southbound traffic detoured along Prospect St and High St
- Alternative 3: Temporary bridge for northbound traffic, southbound traffic detoured along Prospect St and High St
- No Opinion

Natural and Cultural Resources

- Wetland Permit may be required for wetland adjacent to rail trail
- Bridge is contributing resource within Troy Village Historic District
- Cheshire Rail Trail potentially eligible for the National Register of Historic Places
- Nearby historic homes >50 years old
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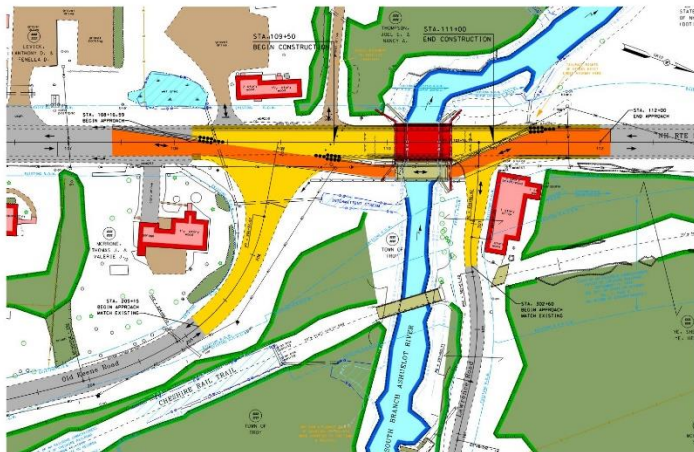
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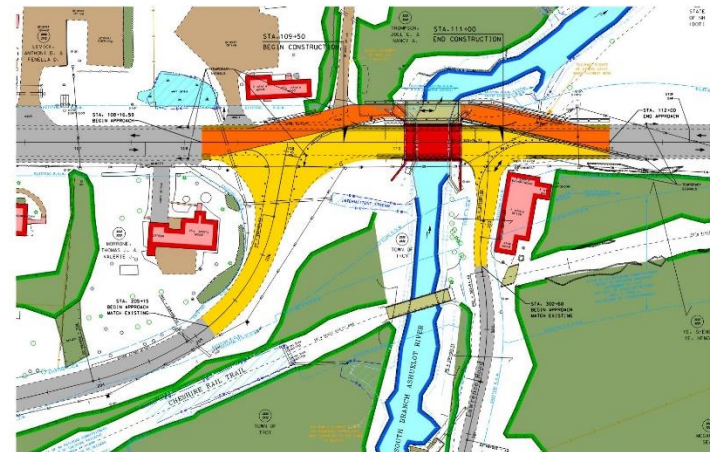
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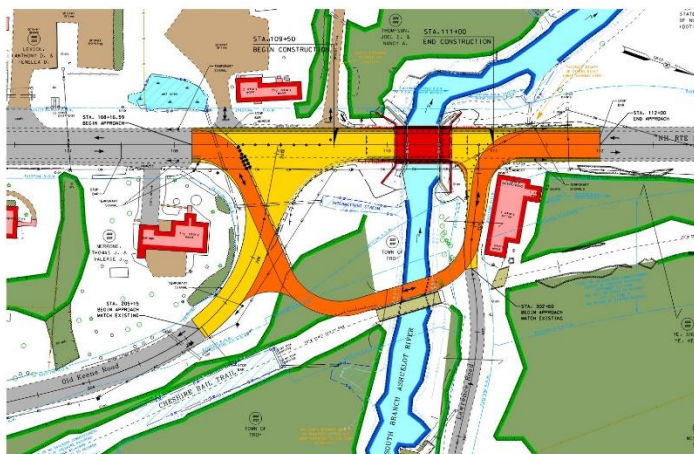
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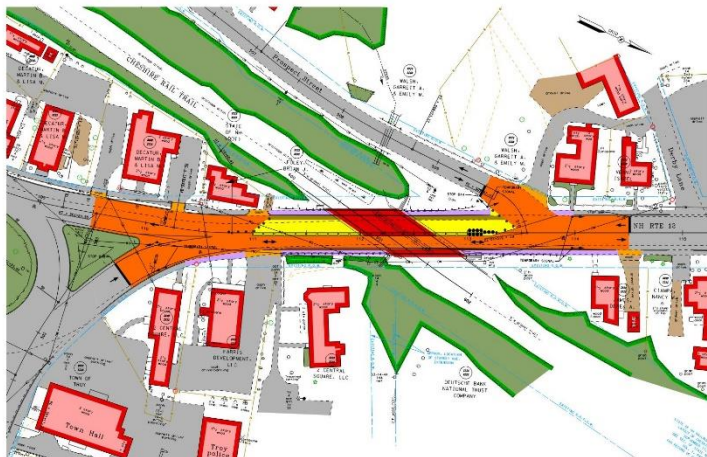


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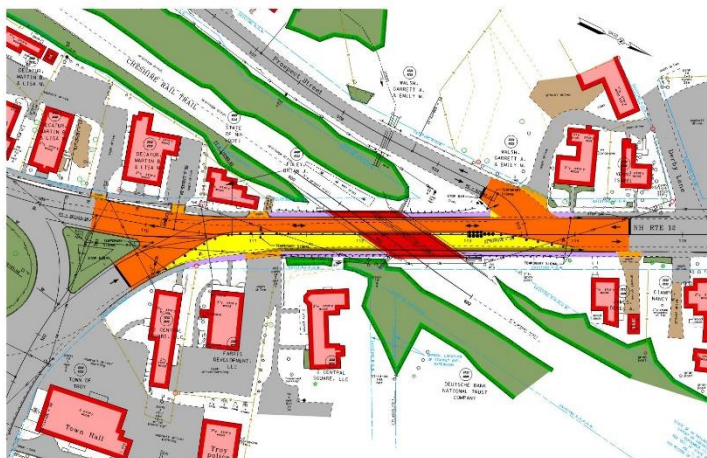


MOT ALTERNATIVE 2

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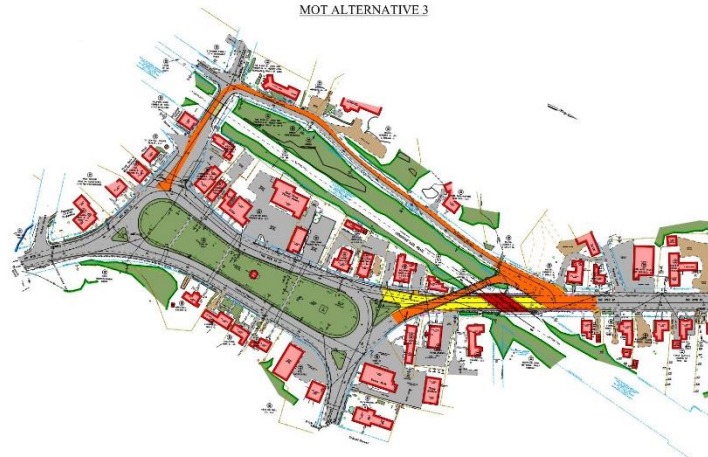
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MOT ALTERNATIVE 4

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